

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:	Raoul Donath	Confirmation No.:	1247
Application No.:	10/509,075	Art Unit:	3733
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For:	DEVICE FOR JOINING A LONGITUDINAL SUPPORT WITH A BONE FIXATION MEANS		

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 14, 2007**

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

*The Examiner is thanked for the courtesy extended during the Examiner Interview held on March 19, 2008.*

Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136: it is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated December 14, 2007 be extended for a period of one (1) month from March 14, 2008 to April 14, 2008. The fee for this extension is believed to be \$120.00. The Commissioner is authorized to charge this and any other fee which may now or hereafter be due in this application to Deposit Account No. 19-4709.

In response to the Office Action of the United States Patent and Trademark Office dated December 14, 2007, Applicant respectfully submits the following revisions and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this response

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this response